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Contract

SC230178 - Investment, Financial Due Diligence Support Services

Kent County Council

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-0401af

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Kent County Council

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United Kingdom

Region code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://www.kent.gov.uk>

Buyer's address

<http://www.kent.gov.uk>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

SC230178 - Investment, Financial Due Diligence Support Services

Reference number

DN690183

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 79412000 - Financial management consultancy services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Kent County Council (KCC) has awarded a contract to provide independent financial appraisal reports to support the investment decisions of the KCC managed business investment schemes.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)

Lowest offer: £100,000 / Highest offer: £250,000 taken into consideration

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The key requirements of the Service are as follows:

- a) to attend to 2-3 monthly decision meetings on request;
- b) to prepare at the full application stage for each eligible applicant of the KCC managed business investment schemes, a financial appraisal report. This report should contain business and financial analysis of the investment proposal and be submitted via KCC to the monthly decision meetings;
- c) to prepare at the debt recovery stage for existing loan recipients of KCC managed business investment schemes, a financial appraisal report. This report should contain business and financial analysis of the current financial position of the business to assist in the understanding of the current financial position of a company. This report to be submitted via KCC to the monthly decision meeting;
- d) Each financial appraisal report should include a range of information to assist the monthly decision-making meeting make its Recommendations i.e., to Partially Fund/Fully Fund/Reject/Defer, suggest conditions, repayment schedule and security (if funding was to be offered);
- e) there may be an ad-hoc requirement for follow-up independent appraisal work connected with the KCC managed business investment schemes.

Most of this work can be undertaken remotely but attendance at designated Investment Advisory Board (IAB) or Subgroup (SG) meetings and the Debt Recovery Group meeting are also a requirement for the contractor.

The contract may be extended for a further period of up to 24 months.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Cost criterion - Name: Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents / Weighting: 100

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Restricted procedure

IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

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Section V. Award of contract

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

22 November 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 4

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

FSE C.I.C

First Floor Linea House, Harvest Crescent

Fleet, England

GU51 2UZ

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)

Lowest offer: £10,000 / Highest offer: £250,000 taken into consideration

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Kent County Council

Kent

Country

United Kingdom